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PRESIDENT: That's all right. Go ahead. Let's try it.

SENATOR SCHMIT: Mr. President and members of the body, I voted against the kill motion because I felt the bill, complicated as it was, did deserve to be discussed on the floor. The Department of Motor Vehicles testified before the Committee, admittedly, Mr. Sullivan said we did a poor job of explaining the bill, but I feel it's a very serious problem and one which we need to face. The other members of the Committee, the majority of the Committee members, who did vote to kill the bill, I think voted if I remember the discussion correctly because they thought the bill was not well drafted and did not provide proper safeguards in regard to the drawing of blood and taking of these samples. Another thing that they were concerned about, and rightly so, was the cost that involved and I think that was a justifiable reason but as Senator Carpenter has said that we need to know some of these reasons and it may well be that we may find...that we find some problems if we pass the bill but it does seem to me that it was a worthwhile effort in intent to pinpoint the causes of accidents. Therefore, I agree with Senator Maresh that the bill should go to the floor and I will vote to raise the bill.

PRESIDENT: Now, Senator Barnett is closing.

SENATOR BARNETT: Mr. Chairman, I believe that...I appreciate everybody that has stood up in defense of the bill and I would like to say that I only hope that you would raise it so that we could discuss it on the floor. I am not against amending it to please anyone that has doubt or question about it. I think it is a necessary, a very important piece of highway safety legislation and I would certainly hope that you gentlemen and Senator Marsh would see fit to raise this bill, notwithstanding the Committee's action.

PRESIDENT: The question is shall LB 66 be placed on General File notwithstanding the action of the Committee. All those in favor vote aye. All those opposed vote no. The question is shall LB 66 be placed on General File notwithstanding the action of the Committee. Have you all voted? 25 votes are required. Once again, have you all voted.

SENATOR BARNETT: I'd like to ask for a Call of the House, maybe.

PRESIDENT: Once again, have you all voted? Have you all voted? The clerk will record.

CLERK: 25 ayes, 9 nays, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: OK. LB 66 is placed on General File notwithstanding the action of the Committee. Do we have any other motions on the desk? Just a minute, before you get on to those. We have 27 students and 4 parents this morning from the Fourth Grand of Peter Sarpy School over there in Bellevue, and this must be the second wave of these youngsters this morning. They are from Senator Frank Lewis' district. He is up there with them explaining what is going on here. Their instructor is Mrs. Sally Primrose and we are delighted to have you here this morning as visitors to the Nebraska Unicameral Legislature. Thank you for all the efforts that it must have taken to get them all together and on the bus and down here and so on. I know you must wonder if it is worth it or not, but I know it is. We are delighted to have you here. What other motions do we have on the desk?

CLERK: Mr. President, notice of Committee Hearings.

PRESIDENT: Read the notice.

CLERK: Education Committee--read. Mr. President, your Committee on Enrollment and Review--read. Mr. President, we have a motion that when we adjourn today we adjourn until 10:00 Monday. Signed, Senator Carpenter.